THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S.B.P.B.K. SATYANARAYANA RAO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The state has submitted a proposal during March, 1999 for Rs. 21.00 lakh for strengthening the Insecticide Control Laboratories at Bellary and Bangalore. Another proposal has been received from the State Government during September, 1999 for Rs. 60.00 lakh for further strengthening the above two laboratories as well as for the three new State Pesticides Testing Laboratories (SPTLs) at Dharwad, Gulbarga and Shimoga.

(c) During VIII Five Year Plan, an amount of Rs. 20.00 lakh was allocated and released as grants-in-aid to the State for strengthening the SPTLs. Of this amount, Rs. 19.84 lakh have already been utilised by the State. During the IX Five year Plan, out of Rs. 10.00 lakh, allocated for the State, Rs. 9.84 lakh have been released during 1999-2000, after adjusting the unutilised balance of Rs. 0.16 lakh for further strengthening of SPTLs.

Central Intensive Development Programme

3547. SHRI K. KALAVENKATA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any Central Intensive Development Programme;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof;

(c) the details of funds released under the programme for the last three years, State-wise; and

(d) the achievements therefrom?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S.B.P.B.K. SATYANARAYANA RAO): (a) There is no programme titled Central Intensive Development Programme in the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Diseases in Mango Trees

3548. SHRI SATISHCHANDRA SITARAM PRADHAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of diseases affecting mango trees in mango growing areas;